

COCCHI HAD HERE 2 DAYS, SAYS LETTER

Brother-in-Law of Ruth Cruger's Slayer Writes Priest, Sheltered Him.

NEW FACTS FROM ITALY

"Police Don't Worry Much About Stolen Girls," Fugitive Told Relative.

More light was shed yesterday on the mystery of the police in permitting Alfredo Cocchi, Ruth Cruger's slayer, to hide in New York prior to his flight to Italy. The information was contained in a letter Mrs. Cocchi, wife of the murderer, received from Aldo Marzoni, her brother-in-law, now in Italy. Mrs. Cocchi turned the letter over to Aaron Marcus, who, in turn, gave it to Assistant District Attorney Taylor.

The most significant clause in the letter quotes Cocchi as saying that he was sheltered two days prior to his flight in the home of Father Moretti in Charleston street. Marzoni said that Cocchi told him there was no chance for the police to find him because he was so securely hidden.

Cocchi made his original confession to Marzoni. Much of this is given in detail in the letter. Cocchi at first explained his presence in Italy by his desire to enter the army. When reminded that his claim had been made by Cocchi, the writer said, broke down and wept and then confessed killing the Cruger girl.

Why Police Didn't Find Body. Marzoni said Cocchi modestly described the girl, his advances to her, her repulsing him and finally how he struck her down and then of the disposal of the body in the excavator. He had made for a gasoline tank. When Marzoni asked Cocchi why the police did not find the body, he is quoted as saying:

"It is a common occurrence in New York to steal girls and carry them away in automobiles. The police don't worry much about the girls, they are not interested. The writer said Cocchi told him the police had visited his cell, but that the search was perfunctory and, of course, revealing nothing. He boasted that these policemen were his intimate friends and that he had nothing to fear from them. He said he would go on a long trip at the end of the war and by that time a trace of him would be lost and the crime would be forgotten.

Blunders Amazed Him. In commenting on Cocchi's statements, Marzoni said he was amazed at the blunders of the police. He said he did not understand how the police could continue to make blunders after the murder. He said he often wondered why they let the murderer go. He said he had not found the victim, because, as he said, he made no attempt to conceal the body except to cover up the grave.

Marzoni wrote that Cocchi told him he left the home of Father Moretti in a motor car and was driven to the water front, where he took a small boat to an English vessel. He said he was on which he was employed as a mechanic.

Assistant District Attorney Taylor said that Cocchi's confession was given two nights with Father Moretti in a motor car, as he had established the fact that Cocchi spent the night of the murder in the home of Father Moretti. The second night he stayed at the Italian Immigrant Home on Water street.

QUAIL WILL EDIT "RECORD."

Newspaper Man Named Supervisor of Municipal Publication.

Mayor Mitchell yesterday appointed Joseph N. Quail, a newspaperman, to succeed David Ferguson, who resigned, as Supervisor of the City Record, the daily newspaper issued by the city. The salary is \$5,000 a year. Mr. Quail resides at 609 West 177th street. He is a Democrat and a member of the recent formed City Democracy, which favors the reelection of the Mayor. Mr. Quail has been at various times city editor of the New York World-Evening Journal, the American and night city editor of the Times.

Mayor Mitchell yesterday carefully accepted the resignation of Mr. Ferguson, who was compelled to retire because of ill health.

POSSES AS DANIELS'S SON.

Importer Gets Money From Several Persons—Warning Issued.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The Navy Department issued a warning today against an importer who claims to be a son of Secretary Daniels. The young man has obtained money from naval officers and others and has eluded capture up to this time. The department says that the first reported swindle took place July 9, when the young man introduced himself to the officers of the receiving ship at the New York Navy Yard, where he had luncheon and got \$20 from the ship's paymaster on a regular naval receipt signed by "Herbert J. Daniels."

Next the young man got \$250 from Dr. H. Reese Hutchison, confidential man for Thomas A. Edison, under the pretense that he was "Frank Daniels." The fraud was disclosed when Dr. Hutchison came to Washington with a letter to the Secretary of the Navy from "this son."

Secret service men were sent to arrest the importer. One of the operatives saw a young man that he took to be the importer at Orange, N. J., on July 29, but a change in clothes and the fact that the young man had discarded his glasses made the secret service men hesitate about making an arrest. The culprit has not been seen since that time.

PLEA TO GERMAN CATHOLICS.

Prelates Urge Them to Support Pope's Peace Plan.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 20.—Support of German Roman Catholics for the peace efforts of Pope Benedict was urged at the meeting of the German Catholic Central Verein today by Bishop Joseph Buch of St. Cloud, Minn.

Most Rev. Mgr. Bonzano, Papal Delegate at Washington, addressing the delegates, said that though their patriotism had been assailed on all sides he knew the members of Central Verein were loyal to the United States. He said that after the war one of the duties of the organization would be to combat "the wrong doctrines" of socialism, which he declared might be widely accepted by the working classes.

Bishop Buch said: "I feel that the members of this organization would not be transgressing their rights as citizens if they were to take the position of assisting the government to consider the Pope's plea for universal peace. It contains nothing to conflict with the principles of any nation."

7 ITALIANS SHOOT UP SALOON; 1 DEAD

—Owner Kills Assassin—Several Injured.

Seven Italians in an automobile drove up to Giuseppe De Luca's saloon at the southeast corner of 110th street and Second avenue last night and with revolvers drawn went in and cleared the bar of customers. While the proprietor and his two sons, Antonio, 24, and Dominick, 22, fought behind the bar the seven men shot all the glassware off the back bar in trying to kill them. Dominick was struck in the right forearm as he escaped out the front door.

Antonio went to his home at 2135 Second avenue, and got his revolver. Dominick went to the John P. Reuss drug store in the corner opposite the saloon for treatment. The seven men followed him into the drug store and fired four more shots at him. One bullet struck Vincent Succaro, 25, of 242 East 110th street, in the left hip and another struck Francisco Alta of 228 East 112th street, in the right leg.

When the De Luca returned with his revolver he recognized in the immense crowd which had gathered outside the drug store Joseph Succaro, the father of the seven men who killed him.

Policeman Carlton Hunter followed Antonio into his father's saloon and arrested him. Two ambulances carried the injured to Harlem hospital.

FIND \$60,000 BONDS IN THE PERKINS SUIT

Safe Deposit Boxes of Motor Dealer Searched in Action by Wife.

AN ATLANTIC COURT, Aug. 20.—Letters showing a mother's desire to rear her little son to be a better man than his father, to become a promising career in art in order to devote herself to her children were revealed to the Supreme Court yesterday in the report of Charles L. Hoffman, the referee appointed in a suit for an accounting brought by Mrs. Clara Leonora Huntington Perkins against her husband, Gilbert B. Perkins, a wealthy automobile dealer of Brooklyn.

Mrs. Perkins is the niece of the late Col. P. Huntington and the heiress to \$200,000 left by her father, Henry E. Huntington. She demands that her husband account for \$125,000 worth of railroad bonds entrusted to his care and for proceeds of \$99,324 from the sale of her home in Jamaica, Cal., searching for several safe deposit boxes of the husband the referee came across letters written by Mrs. Perkins to her father-in-law. In one of these, the referee's report said:

"My talent is in my finger tips, and I am so sorry I gave up drawing, in which I made such a good start. Unfortunately, my husband has paralyzed my energy, but I hope he will not be so in the future. When one has three children her sphere of usefulness is limited in other directions, providing she is the right sort of mother. I love my babies above everything else in the world, and I want the world to be a happier place for their having been in it."

"Gilbert will some day have to face his Maker, and I do not think he will be able to do it with a clear conscience. He did it with the little that resembled him in any characteristic when he is grown."

The couple's children are Huntington, born Jan. 5, 1915, and Albert, born Feb. 10, 1916.

The referee states that in the deposit boxes were \$20,000 worth of 4 per cent bonds of the Central Pacific Railway Company, \$20,000 of first mortgage 4 per cent bonds of the Erie Railroad and \$20,000 in general lien bonds of the same line.

FIRE AT PIER DAMAGES SHIPS.

Half Million Damage Done by Early Morning Blaze.

Still smoldering last night, a fire that started early yesterday morning destroyed Pier 26, at the foot of Warren street, Brooklyn. Two steamships, three tugboats and six lighters were swept by the flames and damaged badly. No deaths have been revealed by the police investigation. The damage is estimated at more than \$500,000.

Fire Marshal Brophy made a careful investigation of the theory that incendiary bombs had caused the disaster, and finally decided it was groundless, and that spontaneous combustion was responsible.

The pier was laden with sugar, hides, grain, burlap bags and miscellaneous freight. On the pier side lay the Christian Bors, 2,758 ton Norwegian freighter, just in with hides from South America. On the other side was the 3,000 ton British freighter Jadepur, about to go out with steel rails aboard. Both ships are under charter by Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., in Manhattan. About them were the tugboats and lighters.

The New York Dock Company, the Hecia and the Ed and Tom. The pier is owned by the New York Dock Company.

"WANDERER" PRODUCED AGAIN.

It Has the Same Cast of Principal Actors as Before.

There is still an opportunity for those New Yorkers who missed "The Wanderer" last year to see the famous spectacle. Comstock and Gost presented the piece last night at the Manhattan Opera House, where it will be acted for three weeks.

The actors identified with the original performance were to be seen last night in the roles they created. Nance O'Neill, James O'Neill, Charles Dalton, Lionel Braham and Sydney Herbert are still in the cast. Their new associates were capable and the backgrounds have been made up to their beauty. "The Wanderer" is as much of a dramatic and spectacular delight as ever.

Newfoundland Taxes Profit. St. John's, N. F., Aug. 20.—Both houses of the legislature, in a joint session passed today a bill levying a tax on business profits. Later both houses passed another act designed to increase the power of the government in the event of a financial crisis.

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AGED WOMAN DIES IN TENEMENT FIRE

Daughters Burned Seriously and Number of Other Persons Injured.

Here is part of the interview: Q. Are you going to withdraw from the Mayoralty race? A. I am not. If the people want me to run I am going to run.

Q. Did this nomination come as a surprise to you? We understood that you were more anxious to secure a nomination for this Supreme Court. We ask this question because it was a surprise to us. A. I admit that I was very anxious of going on the Supreme Court bench some day.

Q. Are there any specific circumstances under which you would withdraw and take a nomination for the Supreme Court? A. Absolutely not. (Snappily.)

Q. Have you seen Murphy since you returned? A. I have not. (Fervently.) Judge Hyman further said that he had not communicated with the Big Boss and that Mr. Murphy had not called on him. Referring to questions as to whether he had heard of the serious report on certain Tammany leaders because of his nomination Judge Hyman replied he had read of such occurrences but had heard nothing about such reports.

Q. You believe, then, that there is no basis for these reports? A. Positively none. Q. Have you any comment to make on the resignation of Mr. Rush from the Tammany executive committee? A. None whatever.

He added that he did not think the resignation would have any effect on his campaign.

Will Not Discuss Issues.

Q. What is going to be your policy of campaign, and what do you conceive to be the big issues? A. I won't discuss that at this time, not until I have been officially notified.

Judge Hyman admitted that he did not know whether John H. McCooey, his associate on the Tammany ticket, had been told that by many his nomination was considered a triumph for the party.

When he was told that by many his nomination was considered a triumph for the party, Judge Hyman said: "I'll tell you what it is," he exclaimed. "It is a triumph of the people. The people have met me and they have stood by me in the past."

In the primaries no matter whether any other person ran against him, but would abide by the decision of the voters in the primary and withdraw if beaten.

The primary continued to prevail yesterday that Mr. Hearst, for whom petitions are being circulated, will run for the office of Mayor.

While the people may not go to the polls in a mass, it is strong that he will jump into the race after the primaries are held.

At the time Mr. Hearst was for the separate unit of the fourth floor found the aged woman dead and her two daughters unconscious. All were brought down the ladder.

The tenants met with such speed that they escaped only with the clothes they wore. The building and its entire contents are a total loss. Fire Marshal Brophy estimating the damage at \$25,000.

MAIL FOR AMERICAN SOLDIERS.

You Must Designate Company and Regiment in France.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—Mail for American soldiers in France will not be forwarded unless the addresses show the company and regiment or the name of the separate unit to which the soldier belongs.

Postmaster-General Burleson directed postmasters today to return to senders all mail not addressed in that manner.

The American postal agency in France has been swamped with mail bearing such addresses as "Somewhere in France," "Care the American expeditionary forces," etc.

It has been found impossible by the postal authorities, with the facilities they have, to undertake the location of men to whom letters are addressed without specific company and regiment designation, as commands are scattered and opportunities to change mail between different units are limited.

Postal authorities in France, England and Canada have taken similar action.

AMERICAN HIDE AT RECORD.

Earnings \$13.50 a Share on the Preferred Stock in 1916.

The American Hide and Leather Company in the fiscal year ended June 30 last earned more than in any other year in its history, earnings being equal to \$13.50 a share on the preferred stock, compared with \$12.60 in 1916, the previous banner year. Revenues available for dividends on the preferred stock have made a better showing except for the fact that the company set aside \$435,000 for the excess profits and other anticipated taxes. This amount was equal to \$3.34 a share on the preferred stock.

Manufacturing profits increased \$732,358. Surplus for the year was \$1,762,000, against \$1,622,256 the previous twelve months.

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TIGER REVOLT NOW IN FIVE COUNTIES

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JOHN GERARD KOENEN.

John Gerard Koenen, 74, died suddenly of heart disease Sunday night. He had been caring for a brother, Anton Koenen, 74, who is seriously ill in their residence, 124 North Fulton avenue, Mount Vernon. The brothers were born in Germany and never married. They were manufacturers of leather goods in New York, and retired ten years ago. Two sisters, Misses Josephine Agnes and Johanna Koenen, survive.

MRS. MARGARET E. SUTTON.
Mrs. Margaret E. Sutton, widow of Herbert Sutton, died Saturday night, in her ninety-sixth year. Mrs. Sutton at 75 took over the jewelry business of her son-in-law, James P. Kelly, a diamond expert, and conducted it successfully. She was seen shopping in lower Fulton street the day before she died. Her home was at 747 Marcy avenue, Brooklyn. Four grandchildren survive.

BETTY BLYTHE.
LONDON, Aug. 20.—Betty Blythe, 32 years old, daughter of David Blythe, and said to be the rightful heir to the gypsy throne, died today at Chirsides, Scotland, and conducted it successfully. She was seen shopping in lower Fulton street the day before she died. Her home was at 747 Marcy avenue, Brooklyn. Four grandchildren survive.

Carson's Daughter to Wed.
Mexico City, Aug. 20.—President Carranza left Mexico city this morning with the members of his family for Queretaro, 110 miles northwest of the capital. It is believed the purpose of the President's trip is to attend the marriage of his daughter, Virginia, and Gen. Candido Aguilar.

Fight Against McCooey.
The fight in Brooklyn against the McCooey leadership has begun in real earnest. James M. Power, United States Marshal in Kings county, filed his petition yesterday with the Board of Elections to run in the primaries for the Democratic nomination for Borough President. At the same time Vincent P. Mitchell, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff in Kings county, also against Representative Daniel J. Griffin, McCooey's man, Marshal Power will oppose Edward Reigelmann, the organization candidate.

Register Edward T. O'Loughlin has also announced his intention of opposing McCooey's candidate for Borough President. He is expected to file his petition today, which is the last day under the law candidates have. Mr. O'Loughlin is organizing the People's Nonpartisan League and will name a complete ticket against the McCooey slate.

Asked on what platform he will run, Marshal Power said: "Fair play—a square deal and more power for Brooklyn."

The determined fight on the McCooey organization is expected to split Brooklyn Democratic circles wide open, and

FOOD CONTROL BILL AT ALBANY TO PASS

Gov. Whitman's Friends in Legislature Confident of Polling 76 Votes.

DEMOCRATS OPPOSING IT

Idea of State Commission of Three Members Now Is Gaining in Favor.

ALBANY, Aug. 20.—Gov. Whitman's friends in the Legislature are confident to-night of the passage of the Governor's bill establishing a State food control commission of three members. While the returns are not in from the people back home in the districts of the thirty-three Republican Assemblymen who threatened to bolt the caucus on the bill last Wednesday, supporters seem certain that the Republican managers have rounded up the seventy-six votes necessary to pass the measure in the lower branch of the Legislature, and that by the time the bill comes up for final passage there will be votes to spare.

Of three score up-State Republican newspapers not one has come out against the bill, while nearly a score strongly favor it. Another significant feature of the development of the food control bill is the measure among the farmers, and say they cannot understand how some of the rural Republican legislators can assume to base their opposition on that ground.

Opposition Is Worked Up.
This bears out the contention of Gov. Whitman that food speculators and cold storage interests have cunningly worked up an apparent sentiment against the measure which has frightened Republican rural Assemblymen who hope for reelection this autumn. To-morrow is the last day for filing regular party designations for the primaries and the delay in pressing the bill for passage until after this date will enable some Republican Assemblymen who were against the bill last week to vote for it, as it will be too late to put opposing party candidates in the field.

While New York probably is the only State where there would seem to be any danger of food riots next winter, should food costs mount yet higher, of the sixty-three Assemblymen from the forty-one are Democrats who persist in picking flaws in the Governor's measure, no matter how it is amended, and two are Socialists.

Of the twenty Republican Assemblymen the only ones whose attitude toward the bill is in doubt are George H. Erickson of the First Kings county district, son-in-law of the late Senator Abram Edinogen of the Fifteenth Manhattan district. The others from the greater city are counted for the bill.

Of the seven Republican Senators from Greater New York only Albert Ottinger is openly opposed to the bill, though the position of Alvah W. Burlingame, Jr., of Kings, is not known here.

Senators Who Favor Bill.
The Republican Senators from the big city who are expected to vote for the bill are Charles C. Lockwood, Charles P. Murphy, Robert R. Lawson, Albert J. Altmeyer, and George F. Crowell of Richmond.

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REYNOLDS FORGOT HIS \$15,000 SERVICE

Unable to Explain at Dreamland Inquiry Why City Paid Him.

An investigation ordered by District Attorney Swann into the sale of the Dreamland (Coney Island) property to the city was begun yesterday by the examination of Joseph Huber, head of the brewing company bearing his name, by Assistant District Attorney Edwin P. Kilroe in the Criminal Courts Building.

Mr. Huber said he was in the Dreamland corporation when the city bought the land for \$150,000. He testified that before the sale William H. Reynolds called upon him and said there was a good opportunity for a turnover in real estate. Huber said he invested \$175,000, and for this obtained enough bonds to foreclose on the Dreamland property if it failed to pay interest on the bonds. When the property was sold for non-payment of interest he bid in the property and now holds the foreclosure deed to it.

Mr. Reynolds appeared at the afternoon session and brought his books and tax receipts bearing on the sale. When shown the tax books of April, 1917, which recorded that Dreamland was assessed at \$550,000, Mr. Reynolds said he could not understand why an entry be made that the tax books were wrong. Only six weeks after this date, Mr. Reynolds was reminded, he reported to the committee of the Board of Estimate that the property was capitalized at \$1,500,000.

Another notation that Mr. Reynolds could not explain satisfactorily, although it appeared in his own records, was the receipt of \$15,000 from the city of New York "for services rendered." He said the entry was made years ago and he could not recall just what the services were.

EDISON VISITS PRESIDENT.
Special Despatch to The Sun.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—There was unusual interest here today in the visit to the White House of Thomas A. Edison, who since the beginning of the war has been working with the Naval Consulting Board. Secretary Daniels escorted Mr. Edison to the White House. The conference with the President was understood to concern certain phases of Mr. Edison's investigations, but no definite hint was given.

Secretary Daniels said he could not discuss the matter except to say that Mr. Edison had been devoting his time to important war work. Naval officers in a position to know said that Mr. Edison had some important discoveries to communicate, but that they were not directly connected with the submarine campaign in the war zone.

Dr. Foadick to Stay Here.
The Rev. Harry Emerson Foadick, D. D., a professor at the Union Theological Seminary, Broadway and 120th street, is not to abandon his work as an instructor in the seminary during the war, as erroneously stated some time ago. According to a previous announcement he was said to have said that he would go abroad and take charge of the work of the Y. M. C. A. camps there. He will remain at the seminary as usual, with a full schedule of lectures to be delivered to the student body.